

EDITORS' CORRESPONDENCE.

RALEIGH, March 19th.

The great pressure upon my time in the closing days of the session makes it utterly impracticable to give the usual attention to the editorial columns. My readers will bear with me since this is the first time since my connection with the Recorder that I have thrown myself upon their good nature.

The events of the past week were stirring and interesting, the crowning event being the passage of the Convention Bill. Scarcely second to this importance in the passage of the bill for the relief, or rather restoration of the University. This is what especially comes home to the people of Orange and should be a matter of special gratification.

The change of gauge of the N. C. R. R. is another event which has stirred the waters here, nothing like it in character has ever been enacted in the State. The action of the Legislature was too late to stop the beginning of the proceedings, for in truth no one outside of the Supreme Court seemed to have known what was going on, and the decision came like a thunder clap from a clear sky. But the decision seemed to have been very safely anticipated by the authorities of the road for they went to work that very night. But the parties have not since worked in ignorance, the work of alteration not having been finished in three days, during which time, in spite of the cutting of the telegraph wires, and the convenient intervention of a wash in the track between the Shops and Greensboro caused by a dry rain. During that time notice was served on them by way of Wilmington and consequently since Monday everything has been done in contempt of the law of the land. Steps are being taken to protect the dignity of the State.

"CHANGE OF GAUGE" IN VIRGINIA.

The Raleigh News says, the Richmond Dispatch has a very exultant editorial upon the effect of the decision of the Supreme Court of North Carolina upon the prosperity of Virginia. All this is very natural, and if it were founded upon a regard for natural justice, would be unexceptionable. But what can be more refreshingly cool than the statement "that all the commerce that was switched off eastwardly at Greensboro, was switched off from Virginia." Now, with respect for the good old Commonwealth, the projectors of our system of railroads did not have Virginia in their eye at all. They were looking at their own State, planning to build up their own ports and to make their own railroads subservient to the interests of North Carolina. It is they who now complain that their freight is "switched off at Greensboro" to go, not East, but North. If Virginia has cause for exultation, so much greater cause has North Carolina for indignation that interlopers have intruded into her affairs and inflicted the most deadly wound upon her she has ever received. Surely this great injury and indignity will not be quietly borne. While, as we have before said, we would be glad to see the Richmond and Danville road connected with its other terminus at Charlotte, we are not willing to see it done at the expense of our welfare. The disruption of our State is too momentous and event not to excite the gravest consideration. The severance of our railroad system involves too heavy a sacrifice of carefully considered views, and of investments of capital to make their loss at all tolerable.

The Wilmington Star, which paper has been a consistent opponent of the Convention measure, thus speaks of the passage of the bill: "The same devotion to Conservative principles and the general welfare which inspired our opposition to this measure heretofore now leads us to urge the election of sound, able and discriminating gentlemen to seats in the Convention. The framing of Constitutional law is not a partisan work but it behooves the Democratic Conservative people to prevent a wary and energetic Radical party from controlling the action of the body, thus turning what would respond to the great good of the State to its everlasting detriment and shame. Let the Conservative party see to it that a majority of delegates holding Conservative views is returned, and all will be well. Otherwise the election in August will prove a rallying point for the now discomfited Republican hosts, and throw a damper on our Democratic friends at the North in the great Presidential election next year."

The Tennessee State Senate is down on batchelors, or are hard up for money, hear them:

"That bachelorism is hereby declared a privilege, and every male inhabitant of this State over thirty years of age, being of sound mind and good bodily health, remaining unmarried after the 1st day of May, 1875, shall pay a fine of ten dollars annually."

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CONTEMPT OF LAW.

The Raleigh News, says there never has been in the State of North Carolina since it had a settled government such open defiance and contempt of law as has been and is still exhibited in this change of gauge matter. The intention of the Legislature was no secret. The passage of the bill in the Senate preventing the change by a unanimous vote made it certain that it would pass the House by the like unanimity left no doubt as to the intention of the General Assembly. The cutting of the telegraph wire between the Shops and Greensboro, and the convenient excuse of a break in the road by a freshet on a day when there was no rain, cannot supply the place of ignorance. But even supposing the work was begun in ignorance, it was not so continued. Full information was telegraphed to Charlotte via Wilmington, and is known to have reached its destined hands. Yet after it was received, the work of demolition was continued until Wednesday night, two days after it was known to have been unlawful.

We are glad to learn that Gov. Brogden has taken some steps to vindicate the rights and dignity of the State.

There is a mystery in the exact correspondence of the action of the Supreme Court and the presence of Col. Buford in Raleigh on the day the decision was rendered. No one here has seemed to be aware that the case was up. Col. Buford came here on Saturday morning. On Saturday night 500 hands were ready to go to work, and did go to work on Sunday morning. How could that number have been gathered in this State in so short a time without previous understanding? And what was the basis of that understanding?

The Baltimore Sun says about two thousand colored laborers, with a comparatively few whites, marched in procession to the Executive mansion between 8 and 9 o'clock to-night, for the purpose, it is said, of making complaint that certain moneys appropriated by Congress for the use of the District Government had been paid to contractors instead of the laborers employed by them.

The band, on approaching the portico of the mansion, played, "Hail the Chief." Then the committee of the laborers went to the door, and through the attendant there informed the President of the presence of the crowd. The attendant soon returned with the message: "The President desires to be excused." The spokesman of the party, who has been acting as attorney for many of the laborers, then said:

Fellow Citizens: The President desires to be excused. In other words, the Chief Magistrate cannot receive the laborers of the District of Columbia, but we will as law abiding citizens acknowledge his mandate and retire. This is the first time in the history of the American republic that a President refused to receive the delegated authority of ten thousand working men.

The crowd cheered, and voices were heard, "Hit him again." The speaker, after further remarks, moved an adjournment to Judiciary square, there to hold a mass meeting, and the crowd moved off in line, the band meantime playing "The Westing of the Green."

A detail of fifteen policemen was ordered to the Executive Mansion, but there was no occasion for interference, nor was a breach of the peace apprehended. In Judiciary square speeches were delivered and resolutions passed appointing a committee to call upon the District Commissioners and state their grievances.

Dear friends! The other day when the Appropriation bill was before the United States Senate, two Senators, favorable to the item making an appropriation of \$1,500,000 for building the levees of the Mississippi river, left the chamber for the purpose of taking a drink, and during their absence the item was stricken out, and Louisiana may be considered \$50,000,000 worse off. Had either one of them been present, the item would have stood.

The New Orleans Republican says these are dearest drinks on record.

The snow storm of last week was something wonderful in its fierceness and volume along the line of the Hudson and the Delaware rivers. Letters and dispatches from that region tell of roads blocked up, trains delayed, drifts of ten and twenty feet, and the whole face of the country buried under from one to three feet of snow. The apprehension is general that there will shortly happen the most disastrous freshets and inundations known for years.

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F. M. DAVIS' CONVENTION BILL.

A Bill to be Entitled An Act to call a Convention of the People of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, The present Constitution of North Carolina is, in many important particulars, unsuited to the wants and condition of our people; and whereas, in the judgment of this General Assembly, a Convention of the people is the only sure, and in besides the speediest and most economical mode of altering or amending it; and believing the end is wise and salutary, and that the legislative enactment on account of the great number of discordant and conflicting provisions of the Constitution as it now is, now therefore.

SECTION 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact (two-thirds of all the members of each House concurring) That a Convention of the people of North Carolina be, and the same is hereby called, to meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives at the city of Raleigh on Monday, the 6th day of September, A. D. 1875, for the purpose of considering and adopting such amendments to the Constitution as they may deem necessary and expedient, subject only to the restrictions hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. The said Convention shall consist of one hundred and twenty delegates, and each county shall be entitled to the same number of delegates that it has members of the House of Representatives under the present apportionment, and the said delegates shall have the qualifications required of members of the House of Representatives, of which qualifications the Convention shall be the judge.

Sec. 3. On the 1st Thursday of August, 1875, the sheriffs of the State shall upon polls for the election of delegates to the said Convention from their respective counties, and the election aforesaid, and the registration for the same shall be held and conducted by the officers thereof, including registrars and judges of election, appointed by the vote counted and compared; the result proclaimed, and certificates issued in the same manner as is now provided by law for the election of members of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly.

Sec. 4. The said delegates shall be called to order at 12 o'clock on the day fixed thereby, by the Chief Justice or one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court or Secretary of State, who, if there be not a quorum, shall adjourn them to the same place, and from day to day, until a quorum shall appear; and on the appearance of a quorum, he shall administer to each of them the following oath:

"You, A. B. do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the delegate elect shall choose,) that you will faithfully maintain and support the Constitution of the United States and the several amendments thereto, including the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments; and that you will neither directly nor indirectly evade or disregard the duties enjoined on the restrictions imposed upon the Convention by the act of the General Assembly authorizing your election. So help you God."

(1.) The Homestead and Personal Property Exemptions, the mechanics' and laborers' lien, and the rights of married women, as now secured by law, nor to alter or amend section 3 or 5, article V, of said Constitution, nor change the ratio between the poll and property tax as therein established; nor shall the said Convention have power to propose or adopt any amendment or ordinance vacating any office or term of office now existing and filled or held by virtue of any election or appointment under the existing Constitution and laws, until the same shall be vacated or expired under existing laws; but the said Convention may recommend the abolition of any office when the present term therein shall expire or vacancies occur, and they may provide for filling such vacancies, otherwise than as now, and limiting the terms thereof. Nor shall said Convention adopt or propose any plan or amendment or scheme of compensation to the owners of emancipated slaves, nor for the payment of any liability or debt incurred wholly or in part in aid of the late war between the States, nor for the restoration of imprisonment for debt; or shall they require or propose any educational or property qualification for office or voting; nor shall said Convention pass any ordinance legislative in its character, except such as are necessary to submit the amended Constitution to the people for their ratification or rejection, or to convene the General Assembly.

Sec. 5. The Constitution, as amended, shall be submitted to the people for ratification or rejection, and shall not be binding until the same shall have been ratified by the qualified voters of the State, and the Convention shall prescribe the mode whereby the sense of the people thereon shall be taken and recorded.

The Petersburg News does not join the Richmond papers in the justification over the change of gauge. That journals see it only another victory of Tom Scott's, and Philadelphia, over North Carolina and Virginia.

A batch of "forty-ones" ex-Congressmen is said, by some, to be coming for office. Repudiated by the people, they seek Grant who has also been repudiated by his own party.

For the first time in six years, Burlington, N. J. elects a Democrat Mayor, and the entire Democratic ticket.

Senator Johnson is charged with using money to secure his election. His enemies may fret and blow, but Andy is Senator, and that is what's the matter.

THE STATUE OF JACKSON.

The Richmond Whig says, it is a noble tribute to the memory of a noble man, that statue of Stonewall Jackson proposed by subscription among the English people. The good work was begun, too, almost as soon as the news of the death of the great soldier was received in England.

"A standing statue of heroic size, cast in bronze," as Mr. Hope, M. P., speaks of it in his letter to Governor Kemper! Is it impracticable for a place and a plinth to be made for it among the grand group of heroes now gracing the great monument on the Capitol Square? Virginia's history, as illustrated in the most typical of the times in which they lived, must not stop as it stands there. Let us have this statue of Stonewall Jackson added to the cluster of heroic and historic representatives, each of an epoch in the life of the "Old Dominion." And after a while, when the South can afford it, let Robert E. Lee have a magnificent monument on our square; and let him be represented as the peer of Washington, himself.

Blaine is a secret candidate for the Republican nomination for the Presidency. Without taking very decided ground he is trimming his sails to the sentiment in his party in favor of holding off the mailed hand from the South.

The U. S. Supreme Court affirms the decision that a State may tax a railroad upon its gross receipts.

Force Bill: Midnight assassination of liberty.—N. Y. Herald.

MARKETS.

DANVILLE, Va., March 19th.

Reported by S. H. Holland & Co., Receipts light and market very active. Lard, Very common 6.00 to 7.00 Good 9.00 to 11.00 Common bright 12.00 to 13.00 Fancy Smokers 18.00 to 25.00 Leaf, common red 9.00 to 11.00 good 12.00 to 15.00 Wrappers, Medium 25.00 to 30.00 Fine 40.00 to 50.00 Extra 60.00 to 90.00

DURHAM March 20th.

Corrected by Reams and Walker. LUGS.—Dark 9 to 11 Red 11 to 14 Bright—Com 12 to 15 Good 15 to 20 Fine 25 to 30 Fancy 30 to 50 Red Leaf—Com. dark 10 to 12 Good 12 to 14 Fine 15 to 16 Bright Wrap—Com 20 to 25 Medium 25 to 35 Fine 45 to 75 Extra 75 to 100

COTTON.—Raleigh March 20th.—The market firm, receipts light. Low middlings at 15 1/2, stained at 13 1/2.

We are indebted to the Raleigh News for our Cotton reports.

Wilmington, 19th. Cotton quiet. Middlings 15 1/2; low middlings 15 1/2.

Norfolk, 18th. Cotton quiet. Middlings 15 1/2.

Wheat.—Richmond 19th. No material changes, prices for both Red and White ranging between 1.25 to 1.30.

Provisions.—Richmond 19th. Western shoulders 8 1/2. Clear rib 11 1/2. Clear 11.

NOTICE.

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE Special Taxes.

May 1, 1875, to April 30, 1876.

THE Revised Statutes of the United States, sections 2275, 2287, 2293 and 2299, require every person engaged in any business, avocation or employment which renders him liable to a Special Tax, to Procure and Place Conspicuously in his Establishment or Place of Business a STAMP denoting the payment of said SPECIAL TAX for the Special Tax Year beginning May 1, 1875, before commencing or continuing business after April 30, 1875.

The Taxes Enforced within the Provisions of the Law above quoted are the following, viz: Rectifiers, 50c per gallon Dealers, retail liquor, 25c per gallon Dealers, wholesale liquor, 10c per gallon Dealers in malt liquors, retail, 25c per gallon Dealers in malt liquors, wholesale, 10c per gallon Retail dealers in leaf tobacco, 50c per pound On and sales of over \$1,000, fifty cents for every dollar in excess of \$1,000. Dealers in manufactured tobacco, 5c per pound Manufacturers of stills, 10c per gallon For each still manufactured, 10c per gallon For each worm manufactured, 10c per gallon Manufacturers of tobacco, 10c per pound Peddlers of tobacco, first class (more than two boxes or other articles) 50c per box Peddlers of tobacco, second class (two boxes or other articles) 25c per box Peddlers of tobacco, third class (one box or other article) 15c per box Peddlers of tobacco, fourth class (one box or other article) 10c per box Peddlers of less than \$100 barrels, 10c per barrel Peddlers of 100 barrels or more, 10c per barrel Any person, who shall fail to comply with the foregoing requirements will be subject to severe penalties. Persons or firms liable to pay any of the Special Taxes named above must apply to TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Collector of Internal Revenue at Raleigh, N. C. and pay for and procure the Special Tax Stamp or Stamps they need, prior to May 1, 1875, and WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE.

J. W. DOUGLASS, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Office of Internal Revenue, Washington, D. C., February 1, 1875.

CASH PRICES PER TON OF 2,000 pounds.

TRIP	PRICE
50.00	
PER	2,000 lbs.
Payable	Nov. 1, 1875

THE High Standard of Quality has been fully Maintained, and it is Considered by those who have given it a Fair Trial the BEST AND CHEAPEST Fertilizer Manufactured.

LIBERAL AND ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS FOR LARGE LOTS, GIVEN ON APPLICATION.

LOCAL AGENTS A. J. DUBER AT ALL THE PRINCIPAL DEPOTS.

DeROSSET & CO., GENERAL AGENTS. For North Carolina and Virginia, at WILMINGTON, N. C. Jan. 27th. Y. P. BRADSHAW, Agent Ochs.

WE OFFER OUR STANDARD FERTILIZERS For the Season of 1875, delivered on the Cars, at our Factory, at the following REDUCED PRICES:

SOLUBLE NEVASSA GUANO At \$55.00 per Ton, CASH, or \$60.00, payable 1st of November, next.

NAVASSA ACID PHOSPHATE, At \$35.00 per Ton, CASH, or \$38.00, payable 1st of November, next.

WE GUARANTEE that the previous High Grade of our Fertilizers shall be fully MAINTAINED.

K. BRIDGERS, President, Navassa Guano Company, WILMINGTON, N. C. D. McRAE, Treasurer, U. L. GRAFFLIN, Superintendent, H. P. JONES & CO., Agents, Hillsboro.

Dr. D. A. Robertson, Surgeon Dentist. Office up stairs in Berry's Brick Building, as heretofore.

WILL continue to visit Chapel Hill on the fourth Monday of every month, and spend the fourth week of each month at his office in Hillsboro, and will remain the following week if necessary.

Due to the great scarcity of money, prices have been reduced to the same they were before the war.

Orders left with Charles M. Parker will be promptly attended to.

DANVILLE STORE G. TOOLS—At respectfully invite attention to the following enumeration of NEW GOODS which have just been added to my stock.

Ladies' Fine Kid Fox Button Boots, made on lasts of three widths price \$5.00.

Ladies' Fine French Kid Button Boots, 3.00.

Misses Fine Kid Fox Button Boots, 2.50.

The above are the finest goods of the kind that have ever been offered for sale in Danville, and I have been induced to purchase them to supply all those who want to buy the best. I have other goods of lower grade, as I endeavor to suit the wants of all my customers, and my stock for every body in quality and price is remarkable. All I ask is an examination of my stock and comparison of prices.

JOS. L. TYACK, Shoe Store.—Danville, March 2.

FOR SALE. THAT valuable Tract of LAND lying between the Chapel Hill and Hillsboro Roads, two miles southwest of Hillsboro, known as the Henry Wilderness place. Containing one hundred and sixty acres more or less.

The premises are a good dwelling house, containing four rooms and a servant's room, and a small orchard of excellent fruit, and the fruit on the place is never so early or so well as here.

There are two springs near the house of excellent water, one of them remarkably copious.

There are about seven acres of meadow land which can be irrigated on both sides for its whole length.

There is a sufficiency of fine wood and timber for the necessary repairs to houses and buildings.

TERMS OF SALE: One thousand dollars. One half cash balance in one and two years. Title reserved until the last payment is made.

Purchasers are invited to visit the premises, and to apply to Hamilton and Graham, Esq's for further information.

Jan. 20 75. W. WILLIAM STRUDWICK.

GRAVES' WAREHOUSE DANVILLE, VA. FOR THE SALE OF LEAF-TOBACCO.

TWO and a half per cent. covers all charges for selling Tobacco at my house, and I guarantee in high prices, as good handling of Tobacco, and as prompt attention to business as any house in this market.

Respectfully, Wm. P. Graves, Jan. 27th.

SELECT Boarding and Day School. HILLSBORO, N. C. The Thirty-second session of the Mount Zion and New Kent schools, which will open Friday 5th Feb., 1875, and continue twenty weeks. Circular forwarded on application, dec. 23rd.

Marshall C. Cameron, Dentist. Life with Dr. D. A. Robertson. OFFERS his services to the citizens of Hillsboro and vicinity. Charges moderate, and satisfactory reference given if desired. Persons will be waited upon at their homes, until I can arrange a suitable office. All orders left at Dr. Hooker's Drug Store, will be promptly attended to. Dec. 24th 1874, Geo. D. A. ROBERTSON.

ESTABLISHED BUSINESS FOR SALE ON FAIR TERMS. The subscribers wishing to remove from the Wholesale Fancy Goods and Notion business, to devote themselves exclusively to their manufacturing interests in the city, will dispose of their stock of goods on hand, cloths, notions, and items of Warehouse, on favorable terms, to parties wishing to establish in an already well established business.

The Warehouse, situated on Main street, in the best position in the city, is a first class building, and has been fitted up with a light with a skylight in the centre, the second floor is finished, and fitted up for business.

This is offered as a house in which the Wholesale Fancy Goods and Notion business can be carried on, or a large combined Wholesale Dry Goods and Notion business can be done with ease.

Such an opportunity rarely offers itself to those wishing to enter in successful pursuits for procuring a well known and established business and business stand.

Arrangements may be made with M. S. Valentine to remain with a new firm till late in the Spring season.

The terms of the lease are favorable. Parties desiring further information and measures to be addressing us.

M. S. Valentine and Co., 1212 Main Street, RICHMOND, VA.

N. B.—In view of the contemplated change in our business, as stated above, we will open special inducements to the trade in supplying themselves with goods in our line, and invite city and country merchants to avail themselves of these inducements. M. S. VALENTINE & CO. Jan. 27th.

Pepper's Saloon AND RESTAURANTS. White Front, Wilmington St. Second Door South of Hargett St., Near his old Stand now known as the Carriage House. RALEIGH, N. C. W. H. PEPPER has most elegantly furnished his Saloon and Restaurant, as above, today, Thursday October 1st. The best of everything in the Pepper's Saloon, and is served up in Pepper's Saloon, at all hours.

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Terms of the Recorder for 1874.
For 1 year, \$2.00.
For 6 months, 1.00.
Payments always in advance.
Job printing done neatly and promptly.

See fourth page both for Ads and interesting reading matter.
John M. McDade of Cedar Grove, North Carolina, has been elected to the position of Editor of the Hillsborough Recorder, and will commence his duties on April 1st.

If you want the worth of your money in goods of any kind go to Cole's Store.

C. M. Parks calls upon his friends and customers through the Recorder this week. He is in New York purchasing one of the best kinds of Goods ever seen in Hillsborough for a long time. Goods to suit all living prices. Read his Card and then try his prices. He is a live Merchant. Dealer's ink will tell.

See notice of Internal Revenue, Special Taxes. Those who are interested, take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Bridge Builders.
On the 3rd and 17th of April next, proposals will be received at the office of Norwood and Webb, for the erection of a bridge to be rebuilt in the place of the one recently carried away by the late freshets at this place. See Notice in this issue.

See Ad. of James Webb Jr. Fresh Arrival of Spring Goods. Pacific Guano. He has in connection with his business opened a Tailoring Shop, and anticipates to have work made up in the latest style at short notice. He has employed a first class Tailor. Fancy Cambrines a specialty.

Have you seen those Spring Tees at Cooley's? If not go immediately and see them. They are splendid.

We are informed that a colored man named Tom, formerly a servant of Gov. Graham, had the misfortune some time since to get his leg injured on the Railroad by an accident, and was brought to this place for treatment. Mortification having taken place it was thought advisable to consult a physician to have him amputated for the preservation of his life. Drs. Wilson and Graham on Saturday performed the operation, and we are glad to learn that he is doing as well as could be expected.

This is only one of the many charitable acts by which Dr. Wilson has endeavored himself to the people among whom he has recently settled.

We were visited Saturday evening about six o'clock with a most terrific storm. A very angry cloud came up suddenly accompanied with a very heavy wind rain and hail. The damage to fences in around Hillsboro is considerable, blowing down fences in some places blowing over houses. The wheat is greatly injured by the washing rains.

About 12 o'clock Sunday night a snow storm set in, but for the dampness of the weather we would have had a good sprinkle on the ground Monday morning. The weather has somewhat moderated and we hope in a few days to have some real good spring weather. The farmers are very backward in their crops, not being able to do but little plowing, owing to immense quantity of rain that has fallen of late.

THE LATE ACCIDENT ON THE NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD—ONE KILLED AND TWO OTHERS BURNED.
—We mentioned in our Thursday's issue the accident that occurred on Wednesday last, by which Engineer Wm. B. Blake, of the North Carolina Railroad, was severely scalded. We were unable to obtain particulars of the accident until yesterday, the western wire being in twain. It seems that Mr. Blake, the engineer of the material train, left Greensboro for Company Shops with his engine and tender only, upon which was his fireman, another engineer, Mr. Witherspoon, and Mr. Womble, a clerk in the railroad warehouse at Greensboro, formerly of Richmond, Va. The engine was running rapidly with the tender in front, when on approaching (Gibsonville) one of the axles of the tender broke, and the latter plunged to one side of the road and the engine plunged to the other.

Mr. Womble was instantly killed, Mr. Blake severely scalded, and Mr. Witherspoon and the fireman slightly scalded. We are sorry to learn that Mr. Blake was suffering greatly on yesterday. He is, we think, at Gibsonville, and Dr. E. Burke Haywood was telegraphed to go to his assistance last evening. Mr. B. is an experienced engineer, and has been connected with the North Carolina road for many years—his being his first accident. His wife is with him, and in common with his many friends in this city, we earnestly trust his sufferings may be soon alleviated, and his early restoration may be complete. —Raleigh News.

The Tarboro Southern says: In our last issue we announced that there was but little hope of the recovery of Mr. Joseph Sellers, Engineer on the Tarboro Branch Road. In this we announce his death, which took place on last Friday evening at his residence in this place. He leaves a wife and children to mourn his loss.

Editor's Correspondence.

RALEIGH, March 18th 1875.—To-day the great event of the session took place—the consummation of long months of labor and anxiety, of hope and of promise—the passage of the bill calling a Convention of the people.

The bill passed the Senate on the 12th instant by a vote of 18 to 10, and the House on the 17th by a vote of 18 to 10. The bill was therefore passed, after it had been read in the House, until the absentees should return and until others might consult with their constituents.

Messrs. Moring and Hanner of Chatham went home on Saturday. They met their people in consultation and returned this morning with decided instructions to "go for Convention," which at once liberated these gentlemen from painful restraint. The absentees, Mr. Jettison of Mecklenburg, and Mr. Moffet of Randolph were cut off from their return by the change of gauge, and this high handed measure, among its other mischiefs, might have been responsible for the defeat of the Convention. For notwithstanding the accession of the Chatham representation, there were a number of Democrats who were known to be opposed to the call and whose votes could not be confidently counted on, careful scrutiny of chances this morning could only make 74 certain when 80 was constitutionally necessary.

There was therefore much anxiety when the hour for the announcement of the bill arrived for no impression seemed to have been made upon the opposition and the fate of the measure hung by a thread. The interest felt in the Legislature seemed to have pervaded the city. The galleries were crowded with ladies, and every spot on the floor of the House was occupied by spectators.

After the reading of the bill amendments were offered by gentlemen on the Republican side of the House, upon all of which the yeas and noes were demanded. This was the preliminary skirmish upon which the fate of the final vote might be predicted. There was intense excitement as each name in turn was called, for the response would uncover what was before concealed, and determine the position of those who had withheld their intentions. When the vote on the first proposed amendment was announced, 83 were found against it, among them several doubtful and a few Republicans. This was the vote through all the amendments, and hope ran high that it was an index of a vote upon the bill. But when it was put on its second reading as the names on the roll were successively reached, those who were always counted as doubtful or opposed were found against the bill, and at the close of the vote there were only 70 yeas cast for the bill where 80 were needed.

It was known however that some gentlemen would change their votes, and that some who had acted with the Republican party might come to the help of the bill, and therefore due deliberation was used in announcing the vote. Directly Mr. McVey of Moore begged leave to change his vote to the affirmative. Then Mr. Jessup of Cumberland followed and then Mr. Griffin of Nash, Mr. Foote and Mr. Glenn who recently abandoned the Republican party, and then Mr. Estman of Wilson, and then Mr. Candler of Buncombe, also Republican, then Mrs. Betts of Cleveland, together three gentlemen who had withheld their votes, made up Eighty One, and the victory was achieved. The third reading was a mere record of the vote on the second, and the result was the same, and the speaker announced with impressive words of triumph the passage of the bill calling a Convention of the people.

The occasion was one of intense interest, and impossible to be forgotten. It had all the dramatic effect of a theatrical display, with the superadded merit that what was acted on this stage was real. There were some fine touches of real eloquence. Mr. McRae of Cumberland who had always opposed the measure from convictions of his judgment, surrendered his own opinion to those of the majority of his party gracefully, touchingly and eloquently. Mr. Candler of Buncombe, in coming out from his party, did so finely and effectively. Messrs. Glenn and Foote also made most capital speeches.

Our Representatives Messrs. Laifu and Atwater each explained his votes, and gratified their friends by coming up manfully and squarely to the issue. They voted "aye" on all the ballots. It is a good day's work, and one that must result in immense benefit to the people. All the best features of the present Constitution will be retained, all that is objectionable, and an instrument as perfect as human wisdom can devise will be made the guide and standard for our future. Now let the people be careful and deliberate and send their best men to meet together in "the Convention of 1875," a Convention which will make a new and important Era in their history.

The body of Mr. Jesse Rouse, a well-to-do farmer of Yadkin county, was found in a creek in that county, on Saturday the 6th, he having left home on the Monday previous, on horse back. When he started off, he had \$100 in his pocket, and when the body was found, only \$5 remained of the sum named. Four play is suspected. So says the Statesville Landmark.

Ypsuconia prevails in Greensboro.

Sensation.

Now is the Winter of our discontent, made glorious Spring time by the arrival at the Parks Barn, of the finest Stock of goods ever shown in Orange.

I have no hesitation in saying that I can suit every body. I am now in New York shipping this assortment I have ever shown. I have determined, since I have secured the big Store House formerly occupied by Mr. H. N. Brown, to do a much larger business, and to do this I shall buy a much larger and finer complete Stock. I will have goods to suit all.

No more sending to Baltimore for your goods, you can get them from me. I want the customers to assist me in keeping a first class store in Hillsboro. I have bought the prettiest line of Millinery Orange has ever looked at—Hats, some Trimmed Goods, Bonnets, and Hats, worth as high as \$12, and as low as 50 cts, I have some at \$4 and 50 cts, and all will like. The finest lot of I reach flowers in the State. Ladies Shoes of all styles, finest city made work. This is the first time I have ever bought a full stock Ready Made Clothing. Hillsboro is a central point between Raleigh and Danville. We need just such a House as I am going to run, and I want your help to keep such a one. If you want 20, 50 lbs, or a sack of coffee say so, and I will sell it to you, don't come in and ask price and go out; of course we have a retail price.

But if you will come to me with the money and say you want a keg of nails you shall go off without them. Come and look at New Store and Stock. I have a stock of real handsome dress goods, something fine and something common.

O. M. PARKS.

St. Nicholas for April is on our table and abounds in its usual interesting reading matter.

The May number will contain a Poem by Rose Terry Cooke, entitled "Poli-Tapole," and a May-day Story by Susan Coolidge. It will also have an interesting paper on "Heraldry," with numerous illustrations, and a sketch of Japanese Life, by Prof. W. F. Griffith, called "The Feast of Flages." There will be a Story by the author of "Rutledge," which was announced for this number, but has been unavoidably postponed a month; unusually interesting in all its parts, and—If possible—a picture of a man in the "Cradle of Noa," which Jack-in-the-Pulpit describes this month.

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Died, in Aurora Beaufort county N. C. at the residence of his father-in-law, Dr. Roscoe Hooker, Mr. John V. Monner on the 25th February 1875. His illness was very short and severe, but his death, quiet and peaceful. Strong hope is entertained that he has passed to a better land. He leaves a fond young wife, to whom he was married only 10 months ago, a mother, sisters, brothers and a large circle of relatives to weep over his grave. Blessed be the Lord, who has promised to be a husband to the widow.

The ladies of Christ Church, Raleigh, have ordered a carpet that will cost five hundred dollars, to be presented to that Church as an Easter offering.

Graham Gleaner: We learn that on Saturday night last the store of L. H. Murray, about eight miles from this place, was destroyed by fire. Loss about \$3,000. No insurance.

The Raleigh Sentinel says: That on last Saturday morning Mr. W. T. Grimmer a young workman at Wilson's Mills was cut badly in the back by a circular saw, and it is feared the young man's end is a hopeless one.

Major Cole and Mr. John A. Boyden, of Salisbury, are contemplating at an early day the erection of a laundry near the depot in that place.

Old man Jerry Anderson, 81 years of age, makes daily trips to Oxford, vending cakes.

Three negro men escaped from the Wake County Work House on Sunday by picking a lock. Two of them are citizens of Raleigh and were incarcerated for different offences. Ten dollars reward have been offered for the arrest of each of them. —News 18th.

There is an old flint and steel market in Fayetteville with the following inscription upon its lock: "Fayetteville Light Infantry Association 1783."

The Statesville Landmark says: Mr. Cornelius Keeler, of Fallstown, in this county, has placed on our table 10 ears of corn which were matured from one shoot, and are still attached to each other.

The Tarbellites of Charlotte, number 109 souls.

A citizen of Franklin county, aged 61, killed last week two wild turkeys.

Milton Lane, colored, was drowned in Neuse river near this place, on Saturday night last. He was on a raft in company with two other negroes, when the raft struck the bridge and was captured. The other two managed to save themselves. —Goldboro Messenger.

Mr. D. Covington, while assisting in repairing a bridge near Shelby, had a leg broken.

The Radicals fired a hundred guns over what they called "the Republican victory" in New Hampshire. Olay, the barber, was called upon a few days ago by a civil fighter for a shave, but he raised his "quills" when he was informed that there was no "black snap" in that saloon, and retired in good order when the force made a move for the dressing bottles. —News.

Mrs. Mitchell, the venerable widow of the late Rev. Dr. Eliza Mitchell, of Chapel Hill memory, was taken quite ill on Monday last, but is reported much better.

Work has been stopped on the C. Railroad near Shelby, for want of money.

NOTICE TO BRIDGE BUILDERS.

THE undersigned having been appointed commissioners to contract for the building of a Bridge over Roto River at Hillsboro: They do hereby give notice that they will receive plans and proposals for the same until the 3rd day of April next, which may be examined at the office of Norwood and Webb, afterwards on Saturday the 17th of April next, at the Court House in Hillsboro, they will let out the building of the Bridge to the lowest bidder.

D. O. PARKS, BERRY ANDREWS, J. W. NORWOOD, Commissioners.

March 18, 75.

SPRING GOODS!

FRESH ARRIVAL!

WE are now getting in our SPRING GOODS, which will be sold 25% enough to suit the hard times. Come and see for yourself.

JAMES WEBB, Jr. 18th March 1875.

JUST RECEIVED A LOT OF PACIFIC GUANO.

\$25.00 per ton, \$5.00 per bag. March 15 1875. JAMES WEBB, Jr.

TAILOR SHOP.

HAVING employed a No. 1 TAILOR, can have any kind of CLOTHING made in the latest style, at short notice. Warranted to fit.

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FANCY CAMBRINES a specialty at JAMES WEBB, Jr.

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TO THE WORKING MEN.

WE will receive this week TENS OF THOUSANDS OF TILIZERS.

Genuine Portland Cement.

Amalgamated Super Phosphate of Lime AND THE

Special Tobacco Compound.

I have the Agent for all of the Olsen Fertilizers. And will be constantly on hand a good supply of the best kinds. We are receiving.

Two Car loads of Salt.

One Car load fine Molasses.

Will keep on hand a full Stock of Lines.

best for Masons. Feb. 17. O. M. PARKS.

NORTH. SOUTH. EAST and WEST.

FROM HILTON TO KIDDEE'S MILL.

FROM THE TOLL GATE TO EAGLE'S ISLAND.

We send them out, our Family Groceries

OF EVERY KIND.

Flour, Sugar, Coffee, Tea.

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Family supplies delivered in any part of the city at short notice.

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March 14.

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DEALER in all kinds of

Musical Instruments. Strings and Trim-

mings for Violins, Guitars, Banjos,

CHILDREN'S CARRIAGES, Fancy

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BASKETS, Baskets, the largest assortment

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Send for Illustrated Catalogue. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 23, 75.

Valuable Mill Property FOR SALE.

TO FORECLOSE MORTGAGE.

I will offer for SALE to the highest bidder on

Tuesday of Court 27th of April, 1875:

That Valuable Mill Property known as Brown's

Mill, one and a half miles from Hillsboro. Con-

taining in the Tract FORTY Acres. Rare

chance for investment.

GRIST AND SAW MILL

16 running Conduits, and the best mill for

COTTON FACTORY

In this section of country.

Terms of Sale:

One Third Cash, balance in equal installments, Six and Twelve months. Eight per cent interest. Title reserved until purchase money is paid. Mr. Thomas Dickson, Mortgagee will take pleasure in showing the property to parties wishing to purchase.

D. C. PARKS, Mortgagee.

8th March 75.

ST. JAMES HOTEL,

12th, Opposite Bank St. & Capitol Square

Richmond, Va.

T. W. Heeniger,

PROPRIETOR.

A new and first class Hotel, furnished in 1874 equal to any in the United States. The Proprietor desires comfort to the travelling public. Mr. John Y. Heeniger, will be glad to see his old friends and patrons. Sept 9, 74.

"I Will Try It."

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HENRY N. BROWN.

Merchant.

Feb. 27 1875.

SPECIAL BARGAINS FOR THE MONTH.

Heavy Carpet (striped) full yard wide, at \$50.00.

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